

In the Claims:

Please rewrite claims to read as follows:

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1. (once amended) A method for preventing or correcting a vitamin deficiency in a dialysis patient comprising dialysis of the patient with a dialysate solution which comprises an effective amount of at least one vitamin selected from the group consisting of folic acid, vitamin B₆, thiamine, vitamin B₁₂, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein the at least one vitamin is present in the dialysate solution in an amount less than a physiological amount or in a supraphysiologic amount.

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2. (once amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the vitamin deficiency is prevented by adding less than a physiological amount of the at least one vitamin to the dialysate solution.

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3. (once amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the vitamin deficiency is prevented or corrected by adding a supraphysiologic amount of the at least one vitamin to the dialysate solution.

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36. (once amended) A dialysate solution comprising an effective amount of at least one vitamin selected from the group consisting of folic acid, vitamin B₆, thiamine, vitamin B₁₂, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein the at least one vitamin is present in the dialysate solution in less than a physiological amount or in a supraphysiologic amount.

Please add the following new claims:

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31. (new) The method of claim 1 wherein the amount less than the physiological amount is equal to the total normal plasma level concentration of the at least one vitamin ÷ (V_p/V_D)².